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Whole Cell Engineering by Mutagenizing A Substantial

Portion of a Starting Genome, Containing Mutations, and

Optionally Repeating

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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO JULY 3, 2002 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in reply to the July 3, 2002 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application.

A reply is due October 3, 2002. Therefor this Amendment is being timely filed.

Applicant requests that the Examiner enter this amendment.

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